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SCHLEY'S OFFICIAL REPORTS BEAR ON POINTS AT ISSUE.

Cristobal Colon Was Located by Admiral on May 29, and Bombardment Began Next Day at Long Range and Continued Less Than Ten Minutes-Articles of War Require Utmost Exertions to Destroy the Enemy at Sight, With Court-Martial Penalty for Failure-American Commander Once Executed for Not Engaging Hostile Vessel-Chaplain Jones's Book Contains a Significant

DATA FROM PEN OF SCHLEY ON ONE VITAL QUESTION INVOLVED.

Chapter.

The Republic Bureau, 14th St. and Pennsylvania Ave. Washington, July 27.—The Naval Court of Inquiry having been selected, it is interesting to refer to Admiral Schley's official reports to the department concerning some of the vital points to be investigated.

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One of the important questions to be determined by the court, and of great popular interest, involving as it does the matter of Schely's aggressiveness and determination in seeking to destroy the Spanish toats after he had located them, is covered in paragraph 7 of Secretary Long's instructions to the court. This is as to whether paragraph 7 of Secretary Long's instruc-tions to the court. This is as to whether Admiral Schley made every possible effort to capture or destroy the Spanish cruiser Cristobal Colon, while in Santiago Harbor. Chaplain H. W. Jones of the navy, who served on the Texas, one of the ships in Schley's fleet, has written a little book de-scribing certain incidents of the Santiago campaign as seen from the American fleet. An episode that has been lightly touched apon finds somewhat free discussion in the chaplain's account of the appearance of Schley's squadron off Santiago at the time the Colon was aground near the harbor en-

Must Engage the Enemy.

This matter is very important by reason of its bearing upon that paragraph in the articles of war which says that when an armed vessel of the United States sights an armed vessel of an enemy, the commanding officer must use his utmost exertions to de-stroy her or suffer such punishment as a

court-martial may inflict.

It was Schley's futile bombardment at long range which is said to have caused Admiral Evans to link in his recently pub-lished "log book" a "distinguished Ameri-can naval officer" with the name of Admiral Byng. It will be remembered that Byng was executed for failure to engage

an enemy.

Chaplain's Narrative.

Describing the incident in his book, Chaplain Jones says:

The Cristobal Colon was plainly visible all

day, as she lay right across the mouth of the harbor. * * *

At half past 2 p. m. the Massachusetts ran up Commodore Schley's flag, as he transferred it from the Brooklyn, and, together with the New Orleans and the lowa, steamed to about six miles from the fort and opened fire as they passed twice. The Colon was still lying across the mouth of the harbor. We immediately stopped coaling at the first shot and cast loose from the collier. The fleet ceased firing just then and withdrew. As the Iowa came near snough so that we could speak to her, Cap-tain Phillip shouted out to Captain Evans

tain Phillip shouted out to Captain Evans:
"I have been trying to get the chaplain to swear for me." Captain Evans shouted back, "Shoot the chaplain. I have been doing it myself all the afternoon. I have strained one of my 12-inch guns trying to hit the Colon. I think I did hit her once. We should have sunk her, though we kept

Long-Range Bombardment. ment at long range has been

cited frequently as evidence of Schley's timidity. The failure to get decisive results after locating the clusive enemy was very disappointing, and irritating to the Navy Department and the incident greatly impaired its reliance upon Schley's efficiency.

Inasmuch as Chaplain Jones's act has been denied by some of Schley's friends, the official report from there as made to the Brooklyn, off Santiago de Cuba, June 1, 1898.—Sir: 1. I have the honor to make the following detailed report concerning the reconnaissance of the 30th ultimo.

2. As the Brooklyn, Texas and Marble head were coaling, I shifted my broad pen nant to the Massachusetts and, togethe with the Iowa and New Orleans, steamed in from a position about five miles southwest of the entrance. At 12:45 made signa "Clear for action," and at 1.05 the signal for "general quarters." The speed was set

ing and the Iowa following the New Or-3. Stood in with port helm heading gradually to about northeast, then easing to east northeast. The distance having de-creased to about 7,000 yards, headed east and at 2, the Colon having been opened out in the entrance, commenced firing with our port batteries, using the guns of greatest

at ten knots with the three vessels in column at distance, the Massachusetts lead-

range on the Colon and the smaller ones against the fortifications. 4. Our fire was at once returned by the ship inside the harbor (firing at random over the land), and by the forts to the eastward and westward of the entrance and on Cay Smith; also by the Colon. At 2:30 ceased firing, turned with port helm to west by south, and slowed. Headed off shore at 2:23 and stood out of range. The shore batteries and the Colon continued

firing until about 3 p. m.

5. None of our wessels were struck, although the shots fell over and around them. I have learned from insurgent sources that the Reina Mercedes was struck by a shell and eight men were killed; also that a number of shells attack the Mercedes. that a number of sho's struck the Morro.

6. The reconnaissance developed the fact 6. The reconnaissance developed the fact that the Spanish vessels are in the harbor and that the fortifications are well provided with long-range guns of large caliber. They used smokeless powder almost exclusively, with the exception of the batteries to the wastward of the cutteries to the wastward of the cutteries. teries to the westward of the entrance. Very respectfully, W. S. SCHLEY, Commodore U. S. N., Commander-in-Chief

Flying Squadron To the Honorable Secretary of the Navy, Navy Department, Washington. It appears, therefore, that the bombard-ment was at long range and lasted but a few minutes. When the Spanish forts be-gan firing it has been said that Schley re-marked to an officer at his side: "It is get-ting too hot. Get back as quick as you can,

Captain.' Firing on Colon.

It will be noted that the firing at the Colon begun fully one day after Schley discovered the enemy. In his official report, dated May 30, Commodore Schley stated:

"On the 28th instant continued coaling the Texas and Markhabed and here the Years." Texas and Marbiehead and later the Vixen In the afternoon, having managed to get sufficient coal into these vessels to enable them to remain with the squadron, shaped course for Santiago, off which port we ar-rived about dusk. Established an inner picket line, consisting of the Vixen and Marblehead, the remainder of the squadron lying to off the entrance of the port about

four to five miles out. "The next morning, 29th inst, steamed in to examine the entrance to the harbor and sighted the Cristobal Colon, apparently mored, head and sterm, across the wastern channel around Cay Smith; also one of the vessels of the Vizcaya or Infanta Maria Teresa class moored in the eastern channel, and two small torpedo boats.

"Later in the day made out the military

tops of a third vessel farther up the har-The Colon, it appears, therefore, was lo-cated in the morning of May 29, and the long-range bombardment began in the aft-

on of May 30. It was apparently continued less than ten minutes from a distance of more than 7,000 yards, or more than four miles at the nearest point, and then the American ships with drew.

RAINS AND COOLER WEATHER PREDICTED FOR ST. LOUIS.

Showers Were General in the Mississippi Valley and the Drought Was Broken in Many Sections.

BY GEORGE G. HARKNESS. femporary Observer at Local Weath-

er Bureau. Rains and cooler weather are in line for St. Louis and thunderstorms may be ex-pected here before night. Showers are gen-eral in the Mississippi Valley, especially the upper portion, and the spread of thunder-storms to our south and west appears to portend the final breaking up of the

A low barometrie area to the southwest and one to the northwest joined late yes-terday and produced thunderstorms in Wyoming and throughout Colorado. This low area is being pushed eastward by a high barometric district behind it, and we are just in line for the benefits of the thunder-storms that will accompany the spread of the low area over this section of the coun-

Rains will be largely local to-day and we will not find ourselves in a storm belt, in spite of the thunderstorms headed for us. These storms will not be particularly violent, but will prove of great relief in cooling off the air and freshening up things in this neighborhood.

Exactly how long these showers will stay

much toward cooling off the air, without thunder.

The drought seems to be finally breaking up, and aithough this has not been altogether accomplished as yet, the spread of rain and storms is going to work wonders. This excessive dry spell should be followed by some quite heavy rains, and there is a strong likelihood of pleasant weather for the remainder of the summer. Rains will be largely local to-day and we will not find ourselves in a storm belt, in spite of the thunderstorms headed for us.

with us depends upon a high barometric district now extending over the southeastern portion of the country. The pressure of this area may retard the movement of the low area this way, in which case our rains may be delayed a few hours.

Thunderstorms occurred yesterday at Kansas City and to our immediate south at Springfield, Mo. Quite a heavy rain occurred at Springfield, 5 of an inch failling in the course of the afternoon. The rain will extend over the upper Mississippi Valley to-day.

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A general drop in temperature was noticeable yesterday, except at Concordia, Kan, where 100 degrees was reached; at Louisville and Cincinnati, where the same figure was attained, and at Parkersburg, W. Va., where the mercury reached 102.

With these exceptions there was general relief, the mercury dropping from 2 to 3 degrees. A further drop should follow the rain, where it is accompanied by thunderstorms. Even a heavy fall of rain will do much toward cooling off the air, without thunder.

The drought seems to be finally breaking.

NAVY OFFICERS MUST KEEP STILL.

An Official Order Will Prevent Gifts of King Edward Thrown on Them From Talking of Schley and Sampson.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL Washington, July 27.-Believing that irresponsible discussion should cease, now that official investigation is to be made, etary Lond will issue an order next week forbidding officers of the service from talking for publication.

This order, it was explained to-day, is in

no sense intended to "muzzle" officers, They will be given an opportunity to make their statements under oath, when they must tell the truth, the whole truth and nothing but

the truth.

The decision of Secretary Long to issue the order is the result of the various interviews which have appeared since the agitation of the Schley-Sampson controversy was renewed by comments upon the MacLay history. This decision was reached residency before Rear Admiral Sampson expressed his views to The Republic correspondent in Boston, which were published this morning. It is not intended to call the attention of Rear Admiral Sampson to the matter. Naval officers here are inclined to believe that it will be better should be refrain from further comment.

BRITISH YEOMEN SPURN THE MEDALS.

the Floor in Drinking

London, July 27 .- The drinking places on the Strand yesterday evening were filled with members of the Imperial Yeomanry who astonished their friends by throwing their war medals upon the floor and stamping upon them.

These medals were given by King Edward to the Yeomanry yesterday morning. In explanation of their anger, the yeomen alleged that the Government was in arrears with their pay, and referred to the blunders of the officers. One of the yeomen said: "Names are misspelled, and our rank and command are wrong in six cases out of ten. We supposed the medals would be worth something to our friends, and posterity, but mine is not worth anything but to chuck

The example of this man was followed by many others

The indications are for thunderstorms to-day. Clouds yesterday shielded St. Louisans from the sun's hot rays.

Seven deaths and nine prostrations were reported yesterday. The maximum temperature for St. Louis yesterday was 97 and the minimum 80. General rains fell throughout Missouri, Kanzas, Nebraska, the Dakotas, Oklanoma, Minnesota and the lake States. Scattering rains occurred in Oklahoma, In-

dian Territory, Texas, Arkansas and Illinois, The drought throughout the great corn and wheat helts may be said to be broken and the period of eccessive heat which has accompanied it is ended. Twenty or thirty Missouri counties report good rains during the past thirty-six

hours, and many towns and villages report light showers, affording measurable relief, with indications of good rains soon. The relief to the wheat belt is practically complete, and the corn belt, while not greatly benefited, owing to the lateness of the season, will be relieved to the extent

CLOUDS SHIELD ST. LOUIS FROM SUN'S HOT RAYS.

Slight Relief Experienced From Atmospheric Humidity - Maximum Temperature Was 97 and Minimum 80 Degrees-Showers Caused Cooler Weather in Southern and Western States.

Considerable relief was experienced in St. ■◆◆◆◆◆◆◆◆◆◆◆◆◆◆ louis yesterday owing to the clouds which covered the sun for a great part of the day and although the maximum temperature was the same as that which was indicated Friday at 3 o'clock, yesterday's weather seemed cooler than that of the previous day.

of good fall pasturage, if nothing more.

Until 11 o'clock yesterday morning it looked as if the day was to be comparatively cool after the fierce heat of the last fortnight, but 87 degrees being indicated at 10 o'clock and a rise of 3 degrees being indicated at 11 a, m. At noon the tempera-ture had risen to 92 degrees and from that time the rise was rapid, 96 degrees being eached at 2 p. m. and 97 degrees an hour

reached at 2 p. m. and 97 degrees an hour later.

Between 2 and 3 p. m. a maximum of nearly 98 degrees was again recorded, but this had quickly been shaded to 97 degrees by 3 p. m. At 6 p. m. the mercury had dropped to 81 degrees and at 8 o'clock last night the mercury touched 80 degrees for the first time in many days.

Louisville, Cincinnati, Concordia, Kas., and Parkersburg all reached or passed the 100 degree mark yesterday, but they were the only cities with that questionable distinction. Louisville, Cincinnati and Concordia all had maximums of 100 degrees, while Parkersburg was the hottest spot in the country with a maximum of 102.

St. Louis came next on the list with its maximum of 97 degrees, while several cities, Indianapolis, Chicago, Omaha, Grand Junction and points in Kansas, followed with 98 degrees. Vicksburg, Miss., was cooler than St. Louis, with a maximum of but 94 degrees, while the Eastern cities retained the comfortable temperatures, for the most part, that have prevailed in the Atlantic States.

The rainfall of yesterday was general to the south and west, and at both Kansas

Hourly temperatures yesterday from 1 a. m. to 8 p. m. were as follows:

City and Springfield, Mo., the falls were heavy and refreshing. At Kansas City, 14 of an inch fell in a short time, while at Springfield, Mo., the heaviest fall of the country was indicated, 54 of an inch falling, accompanied by thunderstorms.

Thunderstorms occurred in a straight line to the west, Cheyenne being visited by quite a severe storm, although the rainfall was but 14 of an inch. Slight falls occurred at Dubuque. Oklahoma City, El Paso, Denver and other points to the west and south, and local showers were not confined to any special portion of that region.

According to Weather Observer Harkness, rains are so general around us that St. Louis may expect thunderstorms to-day. He announces that the storms will not be particularly violent, but states that they will freshen up the air and will render the city much more pleasant in temperature.

The thunderstorm which occurred at Atlanta yesterday and the rainfall of .24 of an linch at Chattanooga show that the rain belt has already passed east of us to the extreme south. Cool weather prevails along the Lower Mississippi Valley wherever rain has fallen and a welcome relief is expected for this city.

Immediately to the west is also a belt

for this city.

Immediately to the west is also a belt slightly cooler.

PLANNING TO END THE STEEL STRIKE.

President Shaffer of the Amalgamated Association Holds Conference With Morgan.

New York, July 27.-Formal perotiation for a settlement of the great steel strike were opened here to-day, at a conference between President Shaffer and Secretary Williams of the Amalgamated Association and J. Pierpont Morgan and a group of his associates of the United States Steel Cor-

associates of the United States Steel Corporation.

The conference and the movements of the conferees were secret, and no intimation of the result of the deliberations has come from any one in authority. It is believed, however, that substantial progress toward an agreement was made and that formal announcement of the compact for peace will come within a few days.

Speculation as to Peace Terms. There has been much speculation as to the terms of peace, but much of it has been pure conjecture. It was said that the strike would be called off and that there would be a resumption of the negotiations of general labor questions at the point where they were broken off at the Pittsburg conference. In financial circles, however, the opinion was general that the prospective agreement would go further than that and dispose of the serious questions at issue.

ssue.

Shaffer and Williams slipped quietly out of Pittsburg and were in New York several hours before a hint of their presence reached the public. Mr. Morgan and President Schwab of the United States Steel Corporation met first at the office of the former and were closeted for some time. The meeting with the labor leaders followed.

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The names of those who participated in the meeting, aside from the leaders on either side, and the place at which the conferees met, were kept from the public. Mr. Morgan was seen after the meeting, but would say nothing beyond denying that he had any appointment with President Shaffer of the Amalgamated Association. President Schwab of the United States Steel Corporation was also seen, but he declined to make any statement whatever.

Basis of Settlement.

It is said that the terms of the strikers It is said that the terms of the strikers will be about as follows:

the Amalgamated Association has effected a strong organization.

2. The Amalgamated Association will recede from its demand that the steel company sign the scale for all mills.

3. The steel company will pay the scale in all mills, union or nonunion.

4. All mills shall be open to all men with or without union cards. The association shall not attempt to force men into the union or to oblige the steel company to employ only union men.

5. The steel company will permit the organization of men when they manifest a desire of the Amalgamated Association or other associations.

SITUATION AT PITTSBURG. Pittsburg, Pa., July 27.—Surface indications of the steel workers' strike were somewhat bewildering. So many conflicting reports were heard from usually reliable sources that even the strikers were at a loss to account for them. During the morning hours the absence of President Shaffer and Secretary-Treasurer Williams from their offices was noted, but all information as to their whereabouts was refused by their associates.

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General interest was taken in the report that James Bishop of the Ohio Board of Arbitration was expected in Pittsburg during the day. He was expected at the amalgamated headquarters, but did not appear. Mr. Bishop did not arrive in Pittsburg, and if the report that he left Columbus for Pittsburg on Friday night is true he must have gone on East with the strong probability that President Shaffer was in his company from this point. The significance of this matter was quickly realized, and it was believed that matters were really shaping themselves for a settlement of the strike in all of the mills.

ST. LOUISANS PARTICIPATED.

Italian Picnic at Herrin, Ill., Was Well Attended.

READY FOR LAND LOTTERY DRAWING.

Homeseekers in the Kiowa-Comanche Country Will Soon Know Their Luck.

El Reno, Ok., July 27 .- On Monday morning, promptly at 9 o'clock, the big lottery, by which the 13,000 claims in the Kiowa-Comenche Reservation will finally be distributed, will be begun. It will be held in the open, and be in charge of three men, appointed early this week by the Washington department of the Land Office.

Commissioner Richards, who will have charge of the drawing, said to-day that about 1,000 names, 500 for the El Reno district and 500 for the Lawton district, would be drawn from the wheels next Monday This will enable persons drawing the most valuable claims to learn quickly of their good fortune. Tuesday about 2,500 names will be drawn, after which the drawing will be done as rapidly as possible.

Committees to Watch Drawing. Homeseekers from the different States are electing committees to sit on the platform to witness the drawing. The committee will permit their presence.

F. C. Stickles, Register, and Thomas R. Reid of the land office, have examined applications for townsites in the El Reno district. Nine were recommended and forwarded to Washington, and five were rejected.

Townsite Recommended.

Bridgeport, Caddo and Fort Cobb, all on the Choctaw Rallroad; the old subagency of Wilber, in the Caddo country; Richards, a new town, at Cache Creek; a townsite in Elk Creek, west of Hobart, and the last one-half of section 19, township 10, range 12, in the Caddo, all on actual or prospective lines of the Rock Island Rallroad Company; a townsite twenty miles southeast of Ho-bart, on the proposed line of the Blackwell, Erid and Southwestern Railroad; the north-east quarter of section 1, township 9, range 11.

THIRD IN CAMP.

Election for Major Called Off Court-Martial Postponed. REPUBLIC SPECIAL

Springfield, Ill., July 27 .- The Third Regiment of the Illinois National Guard, commanded by Colonel Arthur E. Fisher, arrived at Camp Lincoln at 8 o'clock this morning. Captain Bell of Company F was officer of the day, Lieutepant Stout of Company M was officer of the guard and Lieutenant Sanders of Company H was supernumerary officer of the guard.

The court-martial which was to have been held in the Third Regiment to-day, to hear the charges and counter charges against the officers of the Aurora companies, was postponed until Monday, Judge Advocate General Bliss cannot be here and his place will be taken by Colonel E. T. Glennon of the First brigade. He will leave Chicago Sunday and will arrive here Monday morning.

An election for Major in the First Battalion of the Third Infantry, which was announced to be held to-night, has been called off. A mistake was made in calling the election, as Major McCoy, whose place was to be filled, has another year to serve. An election was ordered in Company I. Fifth Infantry, for first and second lieutenants. The election will be held August 5, and Captain Robert L. Mitchell will preside. pany M was officer of the guard and Lieu-

TWO FIRE-FIGHTERS BURNED.

Four Others Fatally Injured While Performing Their Duty.

Well Attended.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL

Herrin, Ill., July 27.—Societa Lombarda, the local Italian organization, held a big plenic here to-day. A uniformed delegation from the North Italian Society of St. Louis had a position in the street parade.

THREE CHILDREN KILLED.

Sons of Well-Known Parents Run

Down by a Train.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL

Princeton, Ill., July 27.—Harley Hamrick, Henry Young and Henry Mears were run down by a train in Wyanet to-night and killed. They were all children of well-known parents.

Performing Their Duty.

Louisville, Ky., July 28.—In a fire which early this morning destroyed the property of the Badgeley-Graham Photographic Supply Company, Max Belovitch, a cigar-maker, and Policeman James Purden were burned to death in an effort to rescue women and children who occupied rooms above the supply store.

Among the severely injured firemen are: Captain Tim Seahan of Company No. 2, badly hurt; Burnett Harding, ladderman, may die; Harry Swain, may die; Charles H. Kellar, crushed, may die.

It is reported that six or seven persons lost their lives in the building, but this is unverified. Several are reported missing and may be in the ruins.

The loss is about \$59,000; insurance unknown.

SUMMARY OF THE DAY'S WEATHER NEWS. DROUGHT IN CORN BELT BROKEN AT LAST

Missouri, Kansas, Nebraska, Oklahema, the Dakotas, Minnesota and the Lake States Reported Precipitation to Greater or Less Degree-Western Missouri Greatly Relieved-Farmers Have Prospects of Good Fall Pasturage.

CORN CROP IS PROBABLY VERY LITTLE BENEFITED. Special and Associated Press dispatches to The Republic Saturday night indicate that the drought in the corn and wheat belts is really broken, Throughout the States of Missouri, Kansas, Nebraska, the Dakotos, Minnesota, Oklahoma, Illinois and the lake States heavy rains or showers occurred yesterday. The relief to corn is said to be

only partial, owing to the lateness of the season, but it is the general opinion of cor-

respondents that the relief to the wheat belt is complete. In Kansas, Missouri and Nebraska, three of the principal States of the corn and wheat belts, the rains were most general,

Rain fell during the past twenty-four hours in the following Missouri counties: Audrain, Barton, Bates, Benton, Boone, Cedar, Coles, Cooper, Dent, Greene, Henry, Howard, Howell, Jackson, Jasper, Johnson, Lafayette, Lewis, Livingston, Macon, Miller, Moniteau, Pettis, Polk, Saline, Wright and Tipton. Good rairs are reported from the following towns in Kansas: Topeka, Pittsbarz,

Scio, Osage City, Lawrence, Lyndon, Iola, Parsonr, Emporia, Larned, Leavenworth, Burlingame, Ellis, Eureka, Chetopa, Lecompton and Raymond. In Nebraska the rainfall was the most general since the beginning of the drought.

The following counties came in for the precipitation: Furnas, Webster, Adams, Clay, Saline, Buffalo, Butler, Lincoln, Lancaster and Cuming. In Texas the showers were scattering and the cotton crop is suffering.

ASSALINE COUNTY.

Marshall, Mo., July 27.—It being about thirty degrees cooler here to-day than yesterday, people enjoyed it immensely. A good shower fell to-day. Only one death occurred here from heat this week.

In VERNOY COUNTY.

ing. There is considerable late corn that has not tasseted out yet that will make fair corn if rains keep up. Most of our farmers have held their stock, The Hoiden Creamery is still receiving a fairy good supply of milk.

Sweet Springs, Mo., July 27.-The long drought was broken to-day by a good rain. Pastures and late corn are benefited. IN LEWIS COUNTY.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL

La Grange, Mo., July 27.—Light showers
of rain fell here this afternoon. Rain fell west of here seven miles yesterday after-noon. The indications are good now for heavy rains to-night. Early corn would not be greatly benefited by rain, but late corn might make a third of a crop in Lewis County, if rain comes immediately.
IN PETTIS COUNTY.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Lamonte, Mo., July 27.—Another good shower fell in the western part of Pettis County to-day, making a total precipation of one inch for yesterday and to-day. Prospects for more rain are flattering.

IN BATES COUNTY.
REPUBLIC SPECIAL.
Butler, Mo., July 27.—A good rain feil throughout Bates County to-day, breaking the long drought.

IN AUDRAIN COUNTY.
REPUBLIC SPECIAL
Vandalia, Mo., July 27.—Two refreshing showers here this afternoon tend to break the long drought, and citizens rejoice.

Heavy rains south.
IN COLE COUNTY. REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Jefferson City, Mo., July 27.—A slow rain fell here nearly all day, the temperature decreasing to 75 degrees. The rain was general all over the county. IN JACKSON COUNTY.

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REPUBLIC SPECIAL.
Oak Grove, Mo., July 27.—Nearly one inch
of rain fell here this afternoon and everybody is rejoicing. This is the best tain
for several weeks. The rain extended over
a large section of Eastern Jackson and
Western Fayette counties. Late corn will
make fully one-third of a crop and splendid
fall pasturage is now assured.

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IN MONROE COUNTY.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Monroe, Mo., July 27.—A good rain fell this afternoon and is the biggest it. mere than three months. The farmers who are in the city are more cheerful and are looking at life more hopefully than they did yesterday. One more good rain will produce a big crop of grass.

IN LIVINGSTON COUNTY.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Havana, Ill., July 27.—The long, dry spell was broken by a good rain here to-night, was broken by a good rain here to-night, and rain storm visited this city to-day, uncompared and rain storm visited this city to-day. Uncompared and rain storm visited thi

IN LIVINGSTON COUNTY.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL

Chillicothe, Mo., July 27.—A good rain fell in the northern part of this county lost night. This evening a hard shower fell in Chillicothe and there are indications of more rain. Corn has held up amazingly well and there will be a fair crop on the bottom farms if the showers continue.

BAIN IN MANY COUNTIES.

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REPUBLIC SPECIAL

Kansas City, Mo., July 27.—Half an inch of rain fell in Kansas City this morning and more is promised. All down the Rock Island from the Nebraska line to Topeka it rained. On the Santa Fe there was rain as far west as Kinsley and Newton.

At the stock yards rains were reported from the following towns in Kansas: Three hours' downpour in Lawrence district, one hour in Chetopa, four hours at Oatville, seven hours at Paola, three hours at Ottawa, four hours at Winchester, one inch all over Lawrence County, three hours at Ottawa, four hour at Garnett.

Reports at the yards from Western Missouri points show heavy rains at Lexington, light rain at St. Joseph and showers at West Plains.

There were rains all over Henry County and in parts of Benton. Three light show ers fell at Marshall and a heavy shower at Warrensburg.

IN MONITEAU COUNTY.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

California, Mo., July 27.—This community

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.
California, Mo., July 27.—This community was visited with a good rain to-day that seemed to be general over the county. Whilst the growing corn on the ridges is past redemption, there will be considerable corn made on the creek and river bottoms, and the rain will materially assist the fall

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Holden, Mo., July 27.—It began to rain here at daylight and has rained most of the day. Clouds still hang low and threaten-IN JOHNSON COUNTY.

IN VERNON COUNTY.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL

Nevada, Mo., July 27.—A very heavy rain fell in this city and the southwest portion of Vernon County early this morning, and will be of some benefit to the late corn and pastures. Many farmers are replowing tacir land to plant Kaffir corn and cow pease to use for feed for the stock. IN HOWARD COUNTY.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.
Fayette, Mo., July 27.—Fine showers fell over Howard County to-day, and indications are that more rain will fail to-night. Many farmers are plowing for wheat.

IN COOPER COUNTY.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Boonville, Mo., July II.—Reports received here to-night indicate that all parts of Cooper County had good rains to-day, with the exception of Boonville and vicinity. This is the first rain of any importance for six weeks, but comes too late to help the corn, as the entire crop is a total failure. Late gardens will be helped.

IN DENT COUNTY.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL Salem, Mo., July 27.—A general rain fell over Dent County this afternoon, the first good rain since April 17.

IN MILLER COUNTY. REPUBLIC SPECIAL.
Olean, Mo., July 27.—Heavy local showers, indications favorable for more. Temperature much lower.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.
Hartville, Mo., July 27.—Another heavy rain fell in Wright County this afternoon.
Farmers now hope to raise considerable corn and have fall pastures. IN MONROE COUNTY.

IN WRIGHT COUNTY.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Paris, Mo., July 27.—A good rain fell here this morning, and prospects to-night are good for more soon. The thermometer dropped twenty degrees.

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DOWNPOUR AT WARRENSBURG.
REPUBLIC SPECIAL.
Warrensburg, Mo., July 27.—A steady rain began falling here this morning at 7 o'clock and continued for three hours. Showers have fallen all over the county, especially in the southern part.

IN GREENE COUNTY.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

AT WATERLOO.
REPUBLIC SPECIAL.
Waterloo, Iil., July 27.—Light showers of rain fell here at noon to-day. Heavy black rain fell here at noon to-day. Heavy blac

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Braymer, Mo., July 27.—Late this evening a fine rain began failing and is still coming. This is the first rain in this immediate section since June 22.

KANSAS.

Topeka, Kas., July 27.—Kansas has been fully redeemed from the ravages of the drought. The rain which started in numercus portions of that State last night has been continued during the past day, and reports received here to-night say that rain is still falling in several places in the State. Every indication points to a prolonged rainy spell, which will be of inestimable value to Kansas.

Farmers report that there will be much late corn and the rain will insure excellent fodder. The estimates of the probable yield of corn range all the way from five to

of corn range all the way from five to twenty-five bushels to the acre. Apples and pears, with anything like favorable condi-tions, will make a large crop.

ARKANSAS.

AT EUREKA SPRINGS.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL

Eureka Springs, Ark., July Z.—A good rain fell here last night, reducing the temperature to-day twenty degrees. This is the first crop-helping rain in three months. Corn and vegetables are beyond help, but apples and penches may still be a crop. Dry weather is healthful weather here, and an abundant supply of fruits and vegetables is obtainable from other localities.

TEXAS.

GENERAL ADVANCE IN STOCKS FOLLOWS REPORTS OF RAINS.

Fairly Good Bank Statement and an Improved Technical Situation Gave Strength to Saturday's Closing-Wall Street, Looking Into the Future, Sees Diminished Purchasing Power of Farmers, Due to Damage to Corn Crop, as a Fac-

tor Likely to Cause Trouble Next Fall.

GOVERNMENT REPORT OF AUGUST 10 EAGERLY AWAITED.

New York, July 27 .- Helped by better official reports on the crop situation, indicating heavy rains throughout the corn belt,

buying, said to be covering of shorts for Chicago. The bank statement was a fairly good one and the close was firm and near the best of the day.

The market, upon the whole, has gained ground during the week, and the technical position is undoubtedly stronger. There is not so ready a recession on bad news, and

sional trading, pending the publication of the Government crop report on August 10. The effect of the damage to corn can only be roughly estimated, and it would be foolish to pretend that this is not very considand in the Northwest wheat districts, there erable. It is doubtful if there will be any was a general advance in the stock market. corn crop to speak of in Kansas or Missouri. The Steel stocks were especially firm on and Iowa, Nebraska and the other corn

States have suffered severely.

It remains to be seen whether the farmers, after their recent prosperity, are in a position to meet the heavy loss with equanimity. The prospects for spring wheat are good, and this may compensate in some considerable measure. . It is probable, however, that railroad

there is some indication that stocks have been pretty generally oversold.

The heavy decline has not improbably discounted, to a considerable degree, the damage to the corn crop, and, upon the whole, indications points to a monerately active and firmer market.

It is unlikely, however, that there will be much activity outside of somewhat profesearnings in the Southwest, where the dam-

· SECRETARY ELLIS'S CROP ESTIMATE. . REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Columbia, Mo., July 27.-In reply to . the query as to per cent of crops saved by the rainfall in the State the past two days, George B. Ellis, . · State Secretary of Agriculture, said: "No reports of beneficial rains have been received at this office. Fifty per cent of the corn will not be benecept to improve the fodder. In many yond recovery. Good rains would seen make good fall pastures, plenty of late-planted vegetables, and • greatly benefit the apple and peach • • crep. Boene County had some local •

were reported this forenoon, but the afternoon was clear, hot and devoid of rain. The temperature averaged 96 all over the cotton district. The drought so far has been only slightly checked, and the crop outlook is discouraging. To-day's weather conditions and thermometer readings, as reported by wire at 7 o'clock to-night, were as follows:

Dullas clear, no rain, 52; Texarkana, clear and hot, ro rain, 52; Clarksville, clear, no rain, 83; Paris, clear, no rain, 85; Denison, fair, no rain, 81; Greenville, fair, no rain, 33; Fert Worth, clear, no rain, 92; Waco, clear, no rain, 53; Taylor, fair, no rain, 30; Corsicant, clear, ro rain, 86; Calvert, clear, no rain, 92; Houston, showery, 83; Austin, clear, 95; San Antonie, clear, 89.

NEBRASKA.

Omaha, Neb., July 27.—Lower temperature afforded but little relief to-day, because of the excessive humidity which, early in the day, showed 80 per cent, almost unpreceday, showed 80 per cent, almost unprecedented here. At 7 a. m. the thermometer registered 74 and the highest point for the day was touched at 2:40 p. m., when the mercury stood at 35 for but a short time.

At 8 o'clock to-night a heavy rain is falling, the first for many weeks.

RAINS GENERAL IN NEBRASKA. Lincoln, Neb., July 27.-Nebraska to-night had the most general fall of rain since the drought and heated spell began.

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Benver City, Furnas County, in the southwestern part of the State, sot over an inch, the first rain of consequence for forty days, Webster County got a shower, Adams a quarter inch; Ciay County the same amount; Saline nearly an inch; Buffalo and Eutler, showers, and parts of Seward a generous dewnpour. There was only a sprinkle in Lincoln and Lancaster County, with prospects of more. North of the Platte there was a fall of nearly an inch in Cuming County. The maximum temperature in Lincoln was 196.

RAIN IN THE INDIAN TERRITORY. REPUBLIC SPECIAL. Durant, I. T., July 27.—Rain fell all last night. The creeks are all swollen out of

ILLINOIS. AT BEARDSTOWN.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Beardstown, Ill., Joly 27.—A generous raim fell in this vicinity to-day, which will be of great benefit, as the crops on low lands are in good condition.

Number of Prostrations Is Greatly

Decreased. With another day of comparatively mod-erate heat, the number of prostrations was greatly decreased yesterday, and the number of deaths was also much smaller than on the previous day. Of the fatalities re-

ported yesterday, four were the result of prostrations that had occurred earlier in the week. The entire number reported up to midnight was rine. Deaths from the heat were as follows: Charles Forgel, 40 years old, employed as a clerk at William E. Bach's grocery store, No. 1234 Old Manchester road, overcome at Talmage and Manchester avenues;

in his room at No. 1307 Chestnut street. Miss Sophia Christeansen, 56 years old, No. 611 South Sixth street, found dead in John Zollmann, 33 years old, teamster,

Walter Scoffeld, 32 years old, waiter, died

August Mohrlann, 49 years old, shoemaker, No. 2107 South Broadway. Frank Jones, 24 years old, paper carrier, of No. 311 Market street, who was pro-trated Thursday.

Amos Sly, 56 years old, laborer, of No.

1016 North Twelfth street, who was protrated Friday. Steven Hall, a negro, 44 years old, la-borer, of No. 1510 Gay street, who was prosborer, of No. 1510 Gay street, who was pros-trated Wednesday.

Mrs. Mary Dorsey, prostrated Thursday and taken to the City Hospital in a private conveyance; address not known at hospital. Prostrations reported were as follows: George Miller, 16 years old, No. 1837 South Seventh street, overcome at the American Car and Foundry Company, No. 2000 De-Wells street

Kalb street, Charles Bernard, 30 years old, No. 1684 North Twelfth street, overcome while leav-North Twelfth street, overcome while leaving the steamer Hill City.

John Remke, 46 years old, a shoemaker, of No. 1415 Blair avenue, prostrated Wednesday, but revived after a twenty-four hours stay at the City Hospital; was again prostrated yesterday afternoon while taking a short walk.

short walk. Lizzie Schreck, 33 years old, of No. 1403 North Fourteenth street. Frank Williams, 13 years old, prostrated at Hawk and Sarpy avenues late yesterday afternoon. Caroline Rantenkrantz, 40 years old, lives

at Chain of Rocks. Charles W. Frisble, about 30 years old, or No. 29 South Sixteenth street. Redmond Cody, of No. 300 Convent street. Oliver Weber, 12 years old, No. 1911 Utah

Brewery; not serious.

Frank J. Walter, No. 2527 South Seventh street; employed at the Anheuser-Busch Brewery; not serious.

COMPANY A'S SMOKER.

Officers of Association Also Enjoy Trolley Party.

Members of the old Company A Ass tion gave a smoker and trolley ride in the private car "Electra" to Jefferson Barracks last evening in honor of several St. Louisans, who have lately returned from foreign service in the United States Army, Among the guests of honor were: Colonel C. D. Comfort, Captain Frank M. Rumbold, Colonel Schultz, Lieutenant W. H. Clopton and Lieutenant Archie Miller,

Among those present were the following: Celonel George J. Chapman, General D. C.